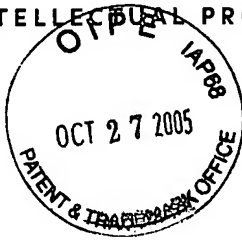


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RESPONSE

Sir:

The present communication is responsive to the office action of June 27, 2005 and also submits a Voluntary Amendment for this application. Applicant is simultaneously filing a one-month Petition for Extension of Time. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 17 of this paper.

Amendments to the Figures begin on page 20 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes in the **Appendix** which begins on page 27 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 21 of this paper.

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